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Applicant's amendment filed on 5-20-2003 is non-responsive (see the attachment). Applicant is given ONE MONTH from the mailing date of this notice to file a proper response.

Hwei-Siu Payer

Hwei-Siu Payer
Primary Examiner

attachment: Non-Responsive Amendment

Non-Responsive Amendment

The amendment filed on 5-20-2003 is non-responsive for the following reason:

Newly submitted claims 3-6 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reason:

Original claims 1-2 are directed to a method of producing chainsaw chain.

Newly submitted claims 3 and 7 are directed to a safety saw chain.

Newly submitted claim 4 is directed to a depth gauge link.

Newly submitted claims 5 and 6 are directed to a rocker.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 3-7 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 C.F.R. 1.142(b) and MPEP 821.03.

However, since claims 1-2 directed to originally presented invention have been canceled, the amendment is held non-responsive. Applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH from the mailing date of this notice, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSION OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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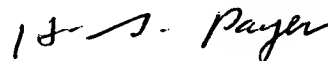
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1405. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allan N. Shoap can be reached on 703-308-1082. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9302 for official communications and 703-746-3293 for proposed amendments.

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